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E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: RENUNCIATION OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE

1. THE FONMIN GAVE ME AT 5:30 PM TODAY (16 MARCH),
A DIPLOMATIC NOTE IN WHICH EL SALVADOR RENOUNCES US
MILITARY ASSISTANCE, HE SAID EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. THE
TEXT OF THE NOTE AND TRANSLATION IS AS FOLLOWS: (SPANISH
TEXT BEING SENT SEPARATELY): QTE I HAVE THE HONOR TO
DIRECT MYSELF TO YOU ZY INFORM YOU THAT THE MILITARY
ASSISTANCE WHICH THE ILLUSTRIOUS GOVERNMENT
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PROVIDES TO MY GOVERNMENT
HAS ALWAYS BEEN WELL RECEIVED IN THE UNDERSTANDING
THAT THAT AID DOES NOT SIGNIFY INTERVENTION IN THE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OUR COUNTRY.
QTE IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT IN RECENT
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DEBATES TAKING PLACE IN A SUB-COMMITTE OF THE CONGRESS
OF THE UNITED STATES THERE WAS AN EFFORT TO LINK
THE CONTINUATION OF THAT AID TO AN ANALYSIS OF
SUBJECTS WHICH MY GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS ITS OWN
BUSINESS. I AM SORRY TO COMMUNICATE TO YOU THAT IT HAS
BEEN DECIDED TO RENOUNCE THAT AID. IN EXPRESSING TO THE

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ILLUSTRATIVE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ITS
PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF EL
SALVADOR FOR THE FAVORABLE ASSISTANCE IT HAS BEEN GIVEN, I
TAKE PLEASURE IN EXPRESSING TO YOU MY MOST DISTINGUISHED
CONSIDERATION.
QTE MAURICIO ALFREDO BORGONOVO POHL, MINISTER OF
FOREIGN RELATIONS UNQTE.
2. I ASKED THE MINISTER WHETHER HIS GOVERNMENT
WAS MAKING ITS ACTION PUBLIC AND HE ANSWERED IN THE AF-
FIRMATIVE QTE AS OF TOMORROW MORNING MARCH 17 UNQTE.
HOWEVER, HE EXPECTED THE MEDIA TO JUMP THE GUN AND
RELEASE THE NEWS TO TV TONIGHT.

3. I ASKED THE FONMIN WHETHER THIS WAS A FORMAL
RENUNCIATION OF THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN
THE US AND EL SALVADOR AND HE SAID THEY HAD KEPT THE WORD-
ING VAGUE IN ORDER THAT THE MILITARY COMMANDERS ON BOTH SIDES
COULD WORK OUT THE DETAILS. I TOLD HIM I WOULD INFORM HIM OF THE
REACTION OF MY GOVERNMENT AS SOON AS IT WAS RECEIVED. HE SAID
HE HAD THOUGHT OF PUTTING AN ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPH IN THE NOTE
SAYING THAT
WHEN RELATIONS RETURNED TO NORMAL AND THE SITUATION
STABILIZED CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN TO RESTORING THE
AID PROGRAM BUT HE THOUGHT THAT THAT WOULD DETRACT FROM THE IMPACT
OF THE NOTE WHICHHE SAID WAS REALLY DIRECTED TOWARD
THE US CONGRESS AND THE PUBLIC OF EL SALVADOR. HE SAID THE CONGRES-
SIONAL HEARINGS TOMORROW, THURSDAY, AT WHICH OPPOSITION LEADER
MORALES EHRLICH WOULD APPEAR, COMING FROM EXILE IN COSTA
RICA, WAS THE CAPPING EVENT IN BRINGING ABOUT HIS GOVERN-
MENT'S DECISION.
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